Government of the District of Columbia Office of the Chief Financial Officer



Natwar M. Gandhi Chief Financial Officer

MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Honorable Linda W. Cropp

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM:

Natwar M. Gandhi

Chief Financial Officer

JUN -2 2006

DATE:

SUBJECT:

Fiscal Impact Statement (Revised): "Omnibus Public Safety

Act of 2006"

REFERENCE:

Bill 16-247 – From the April 28, 2006 Committee Print

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2006 budget and the proposed FY 2007 through FY 2010 budget and financial plan as introduced by the Mayor to the Council of the District of Columbia (Council). Any costs associated with implementing the proposed legislation will be absorbed by existing agency resources.

Background

The proposed legislation adds new titles to the District's criminal code and also makes numerous amendments to existing titles. The proposed legislation is intended to strengthen the District's criminal code and to address public safety issues in areas including, but not limited to, the following:

- Gun violence and gangland crime;
- Protection of family, senior citizens, youth and children;
- Prostitution and prostitutionrelated crimes;
- Multi-lingual communications for public protection;
- Government appeals;
- Unlawful entry on vacant property;

- Driver's license revocation and disqualification;
- Voyeurism;
- Criminal code modernization;
- Protection of public officials;
- Mandatory reporting of child abuse by neglect;
- Criminal background check and investigations; and
- Identity theft.

The proposed legislation affects the operations of many District government agencies primarily impacting, but not limited to, the Office of the Attorney General of the District of Columbia, the Metropolitan Police Department, the District Department of Corrections, the Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services, as well as the Superior Court of Washington D.C., and the U.S. Attorneys Office.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2006 budget and the proposed FY 2007 through FY 2010 budget and financial plan as introduced by the Mayor to the Council of the District of Columbia. Implementing the provisions of the proposed legislation will require no additional staff or resources because funds have been appropriated for the purposes described in the proposed legislation.